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The sanitary conditions of Veracruz remain good. No contagious disease was reported during the week.

*Fatal case of yellow fever from steamship Mexican from Progreso.*

Doctor Carter further reports:

September 24. One yellow fever death reported to-day verified by autopsy. Arrived last night on steamship *Mexican* from Progreso. All precautions taken.

NETHERLANDS.

*Report from Rotterdam—Inspection of vessels—Status of cholera in Rotterdam—Cholera carriers.*

Assistant Surgeon Wollenberg reports, September 11:

Week ended September 11. Bills of health issued to the following-named vessels: September 6, steamship *Euxinia*, with cargo for Philadelphia; September 8, steamship *Amsteldyk*, with cargo for Baltimore; September 11, steamship *Nieuw Amsterdam*, with passengers and cargo for New York; September 11, steamship *Niagara*, in water ballast for New York.

No emigrants from Rotterdam have embarked. All Russians have been under five days' observation. All emigrants' effects disinfected. Crews have been inspected on deck, after being held on board while vessels were in port. No ballast water taken on at Rotterdam.

STATUS OF CHOLERA.

ROTTERDAM.—The city is to-day declared free of cholera. All patients have been discharged. During the week one death occurred among cases previously reported. During the outbreak, since August 20, there has been a total of 34 cases, with 15 deaths.

As previously reported, of the 188 contacts held under observation during the last 3 weeks, 8 were found to be "bacillus carriers." Though 2 became slightly ill, 6 remained in good health; in all, however, there were a few more stools than normally. These persons harbored the cholera-vibrio for periods varying from 5 to 12 days after coming under observation.

In view of the discovery of "bacillus carriers" here, it is believed to be probable that the disease was brought to Rotterdam by a similarly affected person from one of the several Russian ships that have recently been in port, since the voyage from Russia is made in from 3 to 5 days. Various means have been suggested for the prevention of infection in this manner, but as yet nothing practical has been determined.

NICARAGUA.

*Report from Bluefields, fruit port.*

Acting Assistant Surgeon Layton reports:

Week ended September 9. Present officially estimated population, 2,500. General sanitary condition of this port and the surrounding country during the week, good.